

Homework for Chap 22-24

- Chapter 22

1. Find explicit formula for $D^r a_n = 0$ for any r .
2. We know that the linear difference equation

$$D^r a_n + p_{r-1}(n) D^{r-1} a_n + \dots + p_1(n) D a_n + p_0(n) a_n = f(n)$$

can be written in the form of

$$a_{n+r} + q_{r-1}(n) a_{n+r-1} + \dots + q_1(n) a_{n+1} + q_0(n) a_n = f(n).$$

Find explicit relation for $q_k(n) = F_k(p_0(n), \dots, p_{r-1}(n))$ in terms of $p_j(n)$.

3. Solve

$$a_{n+2} - 2a_{n+1} + a_n = 0, \quad a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2$$

4. (optional) Solve

$$a_{n+2} - a_{n+1} + a_n = 0, \quad a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1$$

Note that the eigenvalues are complex numbers. You need to figure out the analogy for dealing with harmonic oscillators with complex eigenvalues.

- Chapter 23

1. Construct two linearly independent series solutions near $x = 0$ for

$$y'' - 3xy' + 2y = 0$$

2. Construct two linearly independent series solutions near $x = 0$ for

$$y'' + \frac{1-x}{x} y' + \frac{1}{\cos x - 1} y = 0$$

3. Consider

$$y'' - \frac{8x}{1-x^2} y' + \frac{24}{1-x^2} y = 0$$

- (a) Construct two linearly independent series solutions near $x = 0$.
- (b) Determine the radius of convergence.
- (c) Is there any polynomial solution? If so, find one.
- (d) (optional) Find solutions near $x = 1$ and $x = -1$.

- Chapter 24

1. For the airy equation $y'' = 2xy$, find the leading order behaviors of both exponential decay and exponential growth, as $x \rightarrow \infty$
2. Find the leading order behaviors for the solutions of the Bessel equation

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + (x^2 - v^2) y = 0$$